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ARIZONA NOTES.

Items of Interest Culled From Our Exchanges.

That the proposed Ajo railroad would be built from Gila Bend to the New Cornelia mines, and not from Tucson, was the statement made by Water Douglas, head of the Phelps Dodge interests in the west, in Tucson Friday.—Star.

Two cars of lettuce left Phoenix Sunday en route for Chicago and Pittsburg and intermediate points. The Hill Seed House, engineered the deal whereby the association of lettuce growers send these consignments to the eastern markets.—Tucson Star.

The preliminary work at the Flux has continued this week, the camp has been completed and the material for the tram freighted to the grounds. The arrival of the tram expert is expected soon, when the construction work will proceed.—Pata gonian.

Mining is one of the basic industries of mankind. War cannot destroy, it can only postpone mining activity. After the destruction of war comes the reconstruction of peace. With peace will come an intensified demand for the metals on which material civilization depends.—Mining Magazine.

October 28, 29 and 30 have been fixed as the dates for holding the fourth annual Southern Arizona Fair at Tucson. These dates fall on Thursday, Friday and Saturday immediately preceding the state fair. The officers of the association will go to work immediately making preparations for this big show.

The people of the Pinal county have inaugurated a movement to bond the county for \$100,000 to build good roads. The board of supervisors is said to be favorable to the enterprise which is everywhere meeting with favor. The road will open up the rich mineral and agricultural districts of the county.

The fruit growing industry is receiving a considerable impetus in the vicinity of Bowie. So far more than 15,000 trees have been planted in that vicinity this spring, and there is a very strong disposition evident to plant orchards. All that section has been blessed with abundant seasons and the outlook for the farmers this year is just about the best in the history of that country.—Prospector.

The Gray brothers are doing much development work on their copper claim to the south of the Three R camp, says the Santa Cruz Patagonian. Two shafts have been sunk, one of which is what is known as the "mother lode" of the Patagonia range. This lode is six hundred feet wide and contains on the surface chiefly pyrites of iron and copper exposed throughout its width in Alum Gulch, on which the Arizona mines are situated.

The McNeal basin is rapidly filling with water. This great reservoir in the lower end of the Sulphur Springs valley has been built by nature and will hold billions of gallons of water for irrigation purposes. The great snows in the Chiricahuas and Dragoon mountains, together with the copious rains of the past season, are bringing from the mountains on all sides, hundreds of small streams of pure soft water that are emptying into the great basin.—Prospector.

Nogales is just now reported to be the liveliest balliwick in the state. This has no reference to the Mexican war, though of course "every little movement" on their side of the line, "has a meaning all its own" that adds to the general hilarity. But all Santa Cruz County is coming alive to its agricultural possibilities and the Nogales Chamber of Commerce is waking up to its opportunities. We believe the secretary of that body will verify our statement and suggest that a couple of thousand homeseekers in other states write to him about it and lay the blame on the Arizona Magazine if they want to.—Arizona Magazine.

We notice in the Lordsburg Liberal that recently a brass band of 18 pieces was organized there, with Matt Mansfield president. Another evidence that Lordsburg is fast forging to the front.

A new bridge is to be put in across the San Pedro at St. David at an early date. The Midland Bridge Company has been awarded the contract, the price being \$12,753. While the old bridge is still being used, the unusual floods of this year have badly damaged it, and the county authorities decided to put up a new structure. Supervisor John Rock says work will start within thirty days from the time the contract was let, which was about two weeks ago.—Benson Signal.

The livestock industry of Arizona is today in splendid shape. The report of the Livestock Sanitary Board for 1914, recently submitted to the Arizona state legislature, shows about 300,000 head of cattle were shipped from the state during the year. The revenue from these heavy shipments was very large, as the prices for all kinds of livestock were the highest ever known and they are continually growing. In addition to cattle, nearly 7,000 hogs were handled for points outside the state and the wool clip from 1,000,000 sheep brought into Arizona a sum totaling over a \$1,000,000.

FAIR WAS FINANCIAL SUCCESS.

The directors of the Southern Arizona Fair association are pleased with the results. The attendance was good, not only from town, but from the surrounding country and cities of Arizona. It is estimated that between 9,000 and 10,000 people visited the fairgrounds during the three days. The attendance on the first day was light, but on the other two days it was all that had been hoped. The way the people of Tucson turned out was particularly pleasing to the directors and they feel that the city is behind them to make Tucson's fair successful.

The grandstand was well patronized, and although the tickets sold have not all been accounted for, it is estimated that there were between 3,000 and 4,000 paid admissions to the grandstand.

All accounts are not in yet nor has all the revenue been received, so that at this time it is impossible to state how the fair stands financially, although the directors are satisfied that it will at least break even.

THE YOUNGEST SENATOR.

The "gentleman from Pinal," Charles E. MacMillin, who has the distinction of being the youngest state senator ever in Arizona. Born in Marengo, Iowa, after passing through the schools of that town he attended the State University in the finishing of his school education. He decided to come west seven years ago and picked the garden spot of the world, "Arizona," as his future place of business and abode. Mr. MacMillin is forging to the front as an Arizona druggist, having for three years past conducted the Owl Drug Store number one, in the mining camp of Ray and the Owl Drug Store number two, in Nogales, the hustling border town.

As he celebrated his twenty-sixth birthday on last month it may truthfully be said that he has thus far made wonderful success as a business man, has reached the front rank in public affairs and promises to become a distinguished statesman.

In parceling out the heavy work of the senate an unusual share of it has fallen to Mr. MacMillin's lot. He has the honor of membership on nine committees, is secretary of seven of them, and is the chairman of the Committee on Mines and Mining, which is one of the most important in the legislature as to a large extent it holds in its keeping the prosperity of Arizona's greatest industry.—Arizona Magazine.



CLEAN UP AND PAINT UP WEEK.

At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce on Monday the following Resolution was adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Chamber of Commerce ask the town of Nogales and each citizen as an individual to join us in a great CLEAN UP AND PAINT UP CAMPAIGN, April 3rd to 10th.

To the end that this campaign may be a great success, and make of Nogales a clean city, the Chamber of Commerce cordially invites the earnest, hearty and harmonious co-operation of the newspapers, the Mayor, Common Council and Health Officers; the Fire Department, for this is fire prevention; the churches, for Cleanliness is next to Godliness; the Ladies Auxiliary of the Santa Cruz Club, for no great movement is ever accomplished without the help of good women; the Public and Private Schools and the Merchants and Citizens generally.

Signs of Returning Mining Prosperity.

Advices from various mining sections of the United States make it evident that the mining industry is getting its second wind and will shortly be forging ahead with renewed vigor, says the Mining and Engineering World. The indications are that the days of depression in mining are about over and that the miners will be in good shape to profit by the opportunity that will

be presented. Some of the outward indications of this are the improvement in the metal situation and the fact that many mines that have been idle are resuming operations, and that others that have been worked below capacity are putting on more men, also that prospectors and lessees are active. These evidences can be found on every hand, but especially at the iron and copper mines of the Lake Superior region, at the lead-silver, zinc and copper mines of the Coeur d'Alenes, the metal mines of Colorado, and the lead-zinc mines of Joplin and other districts. Much development work has been and still is being carried on so that a large and continued production can be made when the demand comes. The Coeur d'Alene district did not feel the effects of the depression as severely as did some other sections and a period of unequalled prosperity is predicted for the mines of that district when normal market conditions return.

Mining activities in Colorado are such that an optimism akin to that of the old days prevails in mining circles. A great factor in stimulating mining activity in that state was the remarkable strike at the Cresson mine in the Cripple Creek camp. The object lesson of this has been a stimulant to the mines throughout the state.

Encouraging report also comes in from Nevada, Arizona and California, and elsewhere. The gloom is being dispelled and the feeling of optimism is returning.

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